

# JAVA.LANG.ENUM CLASS

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## Introduction

The **java.lang.Enum** class is the common base class of all Java language enumeration types.

## Class declaration

Following is the declaration for **java.lang.Enum** class:

```
public abstract class Enum<E> extends Enum<E>>
    extends Object
    implements Comparable<E>, Serializable
```

## Class constructors

S.N.	Constructor & Description
1	<b>protected Enum(String name, int ordinal)</b> This is the single constructor.

## Class methods

S.N.	Method & Description
1	<a href="#"><u>protected Object clone()</u></a> This method throws CloneNotSupportedException.
2	<a href="#"><u>int compareTo(E o)</u></a> This method compares this enum with the specified object for order.
3	<a href="#"><u>boolean equals(Object other)</u></a> This method returns true if the specified object is equal to this enum constant.
4	<a href="#"><u>protected void finalize()</u></a> This method returns enum classes cannot have finalize methods.
5	<a href="#"><u>Class&lt;E&gt; getDeclaringClass()</u></a> This method returns the Class object corresponding to this enum constant's enum type.
6	<a href="#"><u>int hashCode()</u></a> This method returns a hash code for this enum constant.
7	<a href="#"><u>String name()</u></a> This method returns the name of this enum constant, exactly as declared in its enum declaration.
8	<a href="#"><u>int ordinal()</u></a> This method returns the ordinal of this enumeration constant (its position in its enum declaration, where the initial constant is assigned an ordinal of zero).

9	<a href="#"><u>String toString()</u></a> This method returns the name of this enum constant, as contained in the declaration.
10	<a href="#"><u>static &lt;T extends Enum&lt;T&gt;&gt; T valueOf(Class&lt;T&gt; enumType, String name)</u></a> This method returns the enum constant of the specified enum type with the specified name.

## Methods inherited

This class inherits methods from the following classes:

- `java.lang.Object`